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THE CRAWLEY GATHERING.

THE College delights, upon fitting occasion, to honour those who by their work for it, by their devotion to its interests, and by the attachment they have shown for it, have made themselves worthy of the regard and esteem of its members. All sections of the College, therefore, experienced especial pleasure in gathering together on the 20th of last month for the purpose of congratulating Mr. Charles Crawley upon his recent marriage with Miss Augusta Butcher, and of presenting him with an illuminated address and a handsome silver Monteith bowl. For Mr. Crawley has by his cheerful labour and friendly sympathy won a place in our hearts, and we all endorse what is said of him in the address, a copy of which is circulated with this number. The Oval room, where the presentation took place, and the adjoining rooms, were tastefully decorated with pictures, and with evergreens and flowers kindly sent by Mr. James A. Forster, of Chertsey, Mr. William Thrower, of Hampton, and Mr. William J. Hill, of Harrow, all old members of the College. Thanks are also due to Mr. Tansley for the palms which graced the room and for many of the accessories to the brightness and comfort of the meeting.

The chair was taken by Sir John Lubbock, Bart., M.P., the Principal of the College, and about 200 members and friends were present, including a large proportion of those whose names appear in the supplement. Mr. and Mrs. Litchfield, Mr. and Mrs. Mure, Mr. and Mrs. Tansley, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Grugeon, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob, Mr. and Mrs. Forster, Mr. and Mrs. Thrower and niece, Dr. Furnivall, Mr. C. P. Lucas, his nephew and nieces, Mr. Lowes Dickinson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Marshall, Monsieur Antoine and daughter, Mr. E. R. Cole and cousin, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fox, Mr. J. F. Hedgcock, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jenkins, Mr. H. R. Jennings, Mr. H. R. Levinsohn, Mr. H. T. Lewin, Mr. R. H. Marks, sister, son and daughter, Mr. E. Murphy, Mr. Robert

Newton, Mr. S. W. Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peck, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Player, Mr. L. Pocock, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rivers, Mr. C. J. Savage and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Smith, Mr. J. Rigby Smith, Mr. Robert Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dent, and Mr. T. Witchell were amongst them, and all who were there gave Mr. and Mrs. Crawley a hearty ovation, as they entered the room, and a warm welcome to the lady on thus so pleasantly making her acquaintance.

Several speeches were made, interspersed with and followed by some excellent musical selections, which added considerably to the enjoyment of the evening, Mr. Cyril W. Cole opening with some selections on the piano while the company was assembling. Some account of what took place is given below.

Sir John Lubbock, who was greeted with cheers as he took the chair, in a kindly speech explained the object of the gathering. We were met, he said, to present an address to our friend Mr. Crawley, to congratulate him in the most hearty manner on his marriage, and to wish him the greatest possible happiness. After he had worked as he had so long and so well for us all and with so much energy and heartiness, it would be a satisfaction for Mr. Crawley to receive that address and to look back in after life upon that address, expressing as it did the feelings which we entertained towards him, and reminding him of the many happy hours spent in this College and of the excellent work he had done in it—while to Mrs. Crawley, whom we were so glad to see, it would be a token of the respect which we all entertained for her husband. (Cheers.)

Mr. Reginald J. Mure, Vice-Principal, said that the very agreeable duty had been assigned to him of reading and presenting the address. Such meetings as these had not been frequent, nor did he think they should be held on slight grounds or too often. But that night our feelings and our judgments were in accord, and we had done the right thing in coming together and giving some manifest of our appreciation of the services—almost continuous for twenty-two years—and so unwearied and excellent in quality and unstinted in amount as those which Mr. Crawley had rendered in this College. (Cheers.) He had taught many classes in various subjects. He had been an active and an energetic member of the Executive Committee and numerous sub-committees. He had been tried in very many capacities and never been found wanting. He (Mr. Mure) had the advantage of making Mr. Crawley's acquaintance many years ago, at a rowing party on the Thames, when his brother and himself were still students and Mr. Crawley was an undergraduate at Trinity, Cambridge; they were therefore old friends, and it gave him very great satisfaction to have been selected to read and present the address. He was glad to say, too, that we were not in any sense taking farewell of Mr. Crawley, who had no thought of retiring from the College work. We were there to offer our best wishes and congratulations to the new husband and wife, and our sincere friendship to Mrs. Crawley. (Cheers.)

Mr. Mure then read and presented the address, after which Mrs. Mure, amid ringing cheers, handed Mr. Crawley the bowl, saying as she did so that she was sure he would believe that it gave her much pleasure to have been chosen to give him that wedding present from the College. It was a great gratification to her, she said, to have been selected to represent the College in this way, both because of her husband's long connection with it, and because the occasion was in honour of so old a friend of his and of her own. She was certain she handed him the bowl with the best wishes of the College for Mrs. Crawley's happiness and for his also. (Cheers.)

Mr. Litchfield said that when the College had been about twenty years in existence, the old impulse began to slacken off, and if there was one person more than another who brought new spirit into the College at that time, it was Mr. Crawley. (Cheers.) He was the first of the new men of that generation. We saw the result of their work in the broadening effect on the College and its much greater prosperity. Personal attachments and personal friendships had always been a great power here. This fact was one of the signal things which characterized the

College, and there could not be a better example than this very case. It was his (Mr. Litchfield's) wedding which brought about Mr Crawley's connection with the College. He had friends here, and one of his friends had a sister whom he (Mr. Litchfield) was fortunate enough to marry. While they were casting about for assistance, his wife with a sudden inspiration said "Why don't you ask Mr. Crawley to teach in the College?" It was thus that they captured him. (Cheers and Laughter.)

Miss Marjorie Bailey then gave a violin solo, "Un soir à Portici" (Papini), in excellent style, and was followed by Miss Barbara Antoine, who sang "Seest thou at even" (Kalliwoda), which we thought most pleasing, Miss M. Bailey effectively accompanying on the violin, and Miss Bailey on the piano.

Mr Tansley then spoke. The address, he said, very admirably expressed what every College man felt towards Mr. Crawley. Speaking for those who had been somewhat flippantly described as College *fossils*—he thought they should rather be called College *limpets*, as having found the College a good thing, they stuck to it—many of them Mr. Crawley had found here when he first came. They had known him as a teacher, as a member of the Council, as a member of most of the working committees, and as a promoter of all the good influences of the College, while as Vice-Principal he was for many years practically their leader. In all these capacities he had won not only the sincere respect and esteem of all of us, but also our strong personal affection and attachment. The various acts of kindness, quiet and small, which he had done for many of us, had drawn us closer not only to him but also to our fellows in the College. His wisdom and strength in council, and his kindness in act, had always been accentuated by that sympathetic and most genial and cheery courtesy which marked all he did. He had been "the dearest friend to us, the kindest man, the best conditioned and unwearied spirit in doing courtesies." We thought of him as that, and for that reason were glad when he was glad, for that reason we desired most warmly to congratulate him on his marriage, and most heartily to welcome Mrs. Crawley to this College. We should henceforth think of them together, and we wished them both many years of happiness and health and strength, knowing that if our wish were granted those high qualities and capacities which we had witnessed would in future be brought to bear on all with whom they came into contact, with a two-fold force. (Cheers.)

Mr. Lucas: To all but one who are here to-night this is a case of unmixed joy. To me it is a case of chastened melancholy. As a bachelor I had hoped to go hand in hand through life with Mr. Crawley, and it is a shock to find that he has preferred to go hand in hand with someone else. (Laughter.) We read in the papers of the policy of "filling the cup"—I should like actually to fill it and empty it too, but I can only do so by way of metaphor. In this sense I wish, and you wish, that Mr. and Mrs. Crawley's cup of happiness may be full and running over. (Hear, hear.) I have told you before that beautiful story which will bear repeating, of a learned professor who said he only wasted one day of his life and that was his wedding day. (Laughter.) Mr. Crawley will speak to us presently, and I will ask him to give us counsel's opinion on that point. Meanwhile I don't think the day was wasted with him, first because he married Mrs. Crawley, and secondly, because by so doing he has given us the opportunity of showing how we honour him. It is not easy to tell our friends what we think of them, and we nurse ourselves for great occasions. It may be a wedding—it may be a silver wedding—the conferring of a degree, or retirement from active life—whatever the occasion may be, we welcome it with avidity; we welcome Mr. Crawley's wedding day because it is a peg on which to hang our feelings towards him. I represent to-night official feelings. I speak for the Committee and for the Council; of both Mr. Crawley has been a member, over both he has presided, and by both he has been esteemed and loved. Official feelings are not as the sentiments of the crowd, they are more stately, more majestic; you must bore deep down to find them, but when you have found them they come up as in an Artesian well, warm and strong. (Cheers and laughter.) It is a good thing to win the exclusive love of one man or woman. It is a good thing to be the recipient of a large number of individual congratulations, but best of all it is to be blessed by a corporation. It is in a corporate capacity that I bless Mr. and Mrs. Crawley:

> "O'ermastered by my high behest,
> I bless them and they shall be blest."

I will add one word as an humble individual. This Working Men's College exists for the purpose of working for men, and there is no delight to be compared with the delight of doing something for other people. But there are various ways of doing work. Some do it in the hope of a reward, some because it is a duty, and some, not a few, do it because they love the work and those for whom they work. It is as a member of this last class—it is as a living illustration of how things should be done—that I personally honour Charles Crawley. (Cheers.)

It was Mr. Pocock's proud privilege, he said, to speak on behalf of the College as a whole. Although Mr. Crawley could not in these days of 'record' numbers know every individual member, yet every member owed to him, and to those men of whom he was the type, our very existence as a Working Men's College such as this was. To those men, and among them in a prominent place to Mr. Crawley, we owed not only the maintenance of the College with its spirit and its traditions, but the prosperity which now attended it. What gave the College its peculiar charm and its unique feature was the presence amongst us of those men from the Universities who so willingly and so ungrudgingly gave us their valuable time, and the benefit of their learning. The mere statement that Mr. Crawley taught such and such a class did not convey an adequate idea of the regular attendance and application or the personal sacrifice which taking a class here weekly meant to a professional man. But it was not as a mere teacher that he thought of Mr. Crawley. He thought of him as a man of kindly sympathy and deep earnestness—a man of freshness of idea, and go and energy—a man who could arouse enthusiasm by his mere presence, and who could inspire one with a better ideal, and therefore give one courage and hope for a better future. These were some of the reasons why the Working Men's College welcomed this occasion to do honour to the man whom they respected so much, and were glad of the opportunity of tendering to him and to Mrs. Crawley their most hearty congratulations. (Cheers.)

Mr. Charles Wright spoke as representing Mr. Crawley's former class. He happened at one time to be the class, for he was the only student in it. In most institutions this fact would have been sufficient to take him elsewhere, but here and with Mr. Crawley it had not that effect—Mr. Crawley devoted as much care to him as to a class of fifty. He should never forget hearing Mr. Crawley with sonorous voice declaiming the seventeenth book of the Odyssey. There were lines of that which he should remember to his dying day, even if he had forgotten their meaning. He had never had the chance to thank Mr. Crawley before, but now he did thank him from the bottom of his heart for the care and trouble which he took with him. We met that evening to commemmorate and to recognize fidelity, and we chose that opportunity, upon the opening of a new epoch in Mr. Crawley's life, to recognize in him a character which with other characters like his had made the College what it was, and to wish him every happiness in his new life. (Cheers).

Mr. Günther, speaking on behalf of himself and his fellow students of Mr. Crawley's late Latin class, said he had to encounter a special difficulty, for if there were any truth in the witty maxim of Rochefoucauld: "Gratitude is but a lively sensation of favours to come"—then his expressing thanks to Mr. Crawley would be tantamount to saying "Your teaching was so excellent that we shall be very happy whenever you find it convenient to resume your function as teacher of the Latin Class!" This would stamp him and his fellow students as so many Oliver Twists clamouring for 'Mair'—certainly hardly a dignified attitude, but at least this clamour for "Mair" would prove that their appetite had not been cloyed, and that they were confident that the pabulum provided by Mr. Crawley was thoroughly wholesome and nourishing. For a pupil to speak in praise of his master seemed almost presumptuous, but still he could not help referring to Mr. Crawley's uniformly kind and courteous conduct, to his candour, and to his bright, genial and cheerful humour. It was this latter quality which especially endeared Mr. Crawley to them, for when they arrived, as frequently happened, somewhat worn and weary from the day's heat and toil, Mr. Crawley's cheerful voice and bright look infused fresh strength and resolution into them. (Cheers.) Mr. Günther referred to special instances of Mr. Crawley's candour and help as a teacher, and concluded by wishing him and Mrs. Crawley many, many happy years of health and prosperity.

Mr. Crawley was then called upon by the chairman, and said that he found it extremely difficult to speak. The simple words of the address, the beautiful bowl,

the over kindly words of the speakers, and the presence of them all that night, were quite enough to unman anyone. It showed him that there was some regard, and if he might say so, affection, in the College. (Hear, hear.) If he had won any place in their hearts, it was only because the College had been very near his own. He could wish that he knew more of the younger members of the College, but his teaching and work really belonged to a much earlier period. He had taught Greek classes, and he remembered one student of over seventy whom he regarded as a fine ideal, working at it at that age. Should he ever forget, too, those twin souls Player and Bogg, in his Latin class of byegone days, who since their respective marriages had not been here so often. In reply to Mr. Lucas, he did not waste the day he was married, for they were married at nine and were in the train, off for the continent, at eleven. (Laughter.) Mr. Litchfield was perfectly right: it was through his brother-in-law Frank Darwin that he came, and once here he had never been able to get away. He came first to Mr. Litchfield's singing class from a sense of duty, but had not been here long before he found strong reasons for staying, besides the duty of imparting to others the fruits of the education which he owed to his parents, in the extraordinary kindness and brotherly feeling which prevailed amongst the members of the College. After his experience at the University, where some only were anxious to learn, while others cared for nothing less, it was strikingly novel to find all here eager to learn, and it was the greatest possible pleasure to teach them. The teaching had given him more breadth, sympathy, and a wider view of life than he could have got by any other occupation. The College was doing a noble work, and was more prosperous now than he had ever known it. He did not intend to sever his connection with it (cheers) nor did Mrs. Crawley. (Cheers.) He concluded by thanking them from the bottom of his heart for their kind reception, which he felt most deeply and should never forget. (Cheers.)

After a few more kind words from Sir John Lubbock, an interval took place, during which the company partook of refreshments in room B, much attention being paid to the item of strawberries. Upon the company reassembling, Mr. Mure took Sir John's place in the chair, and songs and music sped a pleasant hour or two. Mr. Grugeon took advantage of a break therein to propose a hearty vote of thanks to Sir John Lubbock for presiding, which was carried with cheers, and acknowledged on behalf of the departed chairman by Mr. Mure, who in the course of his remarks said that he was permanently indebted to Mr. Crawley for being the person who had first introduced him to the College, and concluded by asking for a formal vote of thanks to the ladies and gentlemen to whom we were so much indebted for their kindness in providing the musical entertainment—needless to say this was most cordially given. Amongst these, Mr. Michael Santley's fine tenor voice was once more heard in the College in "The Silvery Night" (Sepilli), and "The Miller's Daughter" (Ellen Wright), while Mr. R. A. Gillespie, in his inimitable style, and with his wonted good humour, highly amused the company with "The Nigger Fire Brigade" and "The Hen Convention Show," as an encore. Mr. Arthur Bailey added to the pleasure of the evening by giving "The Roma Railway," and "The Niggerly Nig," and Mr. R. W. R. Stokes, in his effective way, gave "Father O'Flynn" and "Green grow the Rushes, O." Miss Barbara Antoine again sang, giving "I dreamt I dwelt," and her charming singing, in both her pieces, met with the cordial reception it merited. Last, but not least, the company was much indebted to Miss Bailey for her efficient services as accompanist. Considering the amount of musical talent in reserve, it was a matter of regret to the committee that the time was all too short to take advantage of it, so as to have added to the enjoyment of an agreeable evening. As a finale Mr. Litchfield started "Auld Lang Syne," which was taken up and sung by the whole audience, hand in hand, thus bringing the evening's entertainment to a close worthy of the traditions of the College.

MAURICE CRICKET CLUB.—The fixtures for July, on the ground at Crouch End, are :—

July 6th. *v.* Norland Conservative C.C.
,, 13th. *v.* Buckland C.C. (Return match.)
,, 20th. *v.* Otterleigh C.C. ditto.
,, 27th. *v.* Bywither C.C.

OBITUARY.

We regret to have to announce a quite unexpected loss. Mr. Henry Buckie, so well known in the College to the students of modern languages, and whose kindly and generous disposition had endeared him to all with whom he came into contact, was striken with paralysis on Tuesday, 11th June, and died in King's College Hospital on the evening of the 20th. Mr. Buckie entered the College in October, 1888, describing himself as a Solicitor's Clerk, and then aged 29. Devoting himself in the first instance to French, he became proficient enough to be regarded by Mr. Petré as a valued helper. On more than one occasion Mr. Buckie took entire charge of Mr. Petré's classes when illness or family misfortune prevented the latter from attending. Mr. Buckie was not only an excellent French scholar, but had a good knowledge of German, and was the only College student who had passed the Advanced Examination in both languages. At the tolerably severe French examination held by Professor Lallemand at the end of 1893, Mr. Buckie passed at the top of the list with 86% of possible marks. During last winter he had been prevailed upon to utilize his peculiar knowledge in taking one of the classes for Foreigners which appear on the College programme, and Dr. Oswald, who inspected his class, speaks very highly of his efficiency as a teacher and of his tact in dealing with the peculiar difficulties which such a class presents. The first thing he said after he was taken ill was "Send to the College." Mr. Petré saw him the Saturday following. He was asleep, but presently woke up and with sudden impulse immediately stretched out his hand, so glad was he to see a friend he knew so well. His funeral took place on Wednesday, 26th at Highgate Cemetery, when Messrs. L. Petré, Geo. Tansley, John Dale, J. S. Evans, R. H. Marks, H. J. Middleton, C. W. Rapley, F. Roper, and H. R. Jennings were present. All who knew Mr. Buckie will share the grief of his mother and sisters at their sad loss.

We regret also to note the death on the 22nd May, at the age of 61, of Mr. John Arnold Harwood, of the well-known bookselling firm of Bickers and Son, Leicester Square. Mr. Harwood joined the College in March, 1862, and was for some years a diligent student in the Language classes. Those who attended during the sixties Mr. Sonnenschien's German and Dr. Oswald's French classes, will remember him as one of the most prominent among the members. His attention was not restricted to modern languages—it extended to those of the ancients, for he was a fairly proficient Latin scholar and had also some knowledge of Greek. Increasing occupation and indifferent health had prevented him for some years from attending any College gatherings, and he would probably therefore be unknown to any but the seniors among the present members.

As we are going to press, we hear with sorrow of another death, that of one who was well known here in past years, Mr. Walter Jackson. Mr. Jackson entered the College in the summer of 1862. He distinguished himself as a student. Doubtless had the examination arrangements been as complete between that date and 1871 as they are at present, his name would have appeared more frequently on the College records. As it is we find only one entry in the "Honours" register, that of a certificate in Algebra, in 1866. But he was a prominent member of Mr. Litchfield's singing class, which almost necessarily made him well known in the social life of the time. He was almost always present at the Sunday walks, at which the singing class formed the nucleus of the parties and the pleasure of which is remembered even now by many an old College man. Mr. Jackson's early training in the house of Rivington's, the publishers, of Waterloo Place, now merged into the equally historical Longmans and Co., qualified him to take a prominent position with Henry S. King and Co. early in the seventies. He followed the fortunes of this business until some time after it became Kegan Paul's Company, and leaving them, subsequently filled for several years, and with great success, the post of Secretary of the Artisans' and Labourers' Dwellings Company, which he held at the time of his death on the 27th ult., at the early age of 50. The interment took place at Abney Park Cemetery on Wednesday, the 3rd inst., when Messrs. Litchfield, Tansley, Grngeon and Marks were present. In 1871, Mr. Jackson married Julia, the daughter of Mr. Thomas Martin, also at that period a well-known member of the College. He leaves a widow and several children.

In Professor Huxley, who died on the 29th ult., the world loses one of its greatest scientific investigators and exponents. His connection with this College was but slight, but some will remember his brilliant lecture on inductive reasoning, delivered here in 1880, under the somewhat enigmatical title of "The Method of Zadig, or Retrospective Prophesy as a function of Science."

LUBBOCK FIELD CLUB.

The meetings for June included one on the 19th, held in the Museum, when Mr. James Warren, the Assistant Curator of that room, read an interesting paper on "The use of the College Museum to the Field Club," referring *inter alia* to the aquarium recently added to the garniture thereof. An excursion to Cromer on the 23rd by Sunday League train was followed on the 26th by an Exhibition Meeting.

The indoor meetings for July include one on the 10th, when Mr. A. E. Shurlock, Hon. Sec., is to read a paper entitled "The Geology of the country around Guildford," and an Exhibition Meeting on the 24th, while excursions are planned to N.E. part of Epping Forest on Saturday the 6th.—train from Liverpool Street at 2.41; take excursion ticket to Loughton, 1s. To St. Martha's and Guildford on Sunday the 14th.—train from Waterloo at 9.55; take excursion ticket to Clandon, 2s.—and to Hayes and West Wickham on Saturday the 27th.—train from Cannon Street at 2.18; take single ticket. We believe that the Hon. Sec.'s paper on the 10th will be an alluring description of the country to be tramped over on the 14th, and may mention that to indoor meetings as well as to all walks every member of the College is cordially welcome.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The gathering of the College members and their friends held on the 20th of June, and having for its object the congratulation of Mr. Charles Crawley upon his marriage, was one of the most successful meetings of the kind which have taken place here. A report begins this number, but we cannot reproduce the charming music, both vocal and instrumental, which enlivened the proceedings, nor yet the full earnestness of those who spoke. Sir John Lubbock was good enough to come and take the chair, and amongst the other speakers we were indebted to Mr. Lucas not only for his usual witty, cordial, and pointed remarks, whose sharpness hurt nobody, but also for bringing with him his nieces, Miss Bailey and Miss Marjorie Bailey, and his nephew Mr. Arthur Bailey, all of whom contributed to the musical enjoyment.

Some reference to Mr. Crawley's career in this College may not be out of place. His name first appears in the College programme for the October term of 1873, in which he is announced as the teacher of Greek. This class remained under his care (with some short intermissions) until the April term of 1880. Meanwhile he had also delivered short courses of lectures on English Literature in 1874, 1875, and 1878. In April 1882, he gave a course on Law. From that time until October 1892, when he began to devote himself to the Latin class which he took up to the end of last year, his name does not appear as a teacher. It is not to be supposed that the above exhausts the list of Mr. Crawley's services to the College. He has been continuously a member of the Executive Committee since February, 1875, and has served on numerous sub-committees of that body, and he fulfilled the duties of Vice-Principal during the years 1883 to 1887 inclusive.

Among the letters received in response to circulars sent out to members of the College inviting co-operation in making the present to Mr. Crawley on the occasion above referred to are some that merit the distinction of being quoted from :

A former pupil writes : "I have an infinite sense of obligation to Mr. Crawley for his kindness and help to me in a Latin class many years ago, and with fervour would like to seize this occasion to give some expression to it. I am sure there must be many members of the W. M. C. who have a love for Mr. Crawley quite equal if not passing the love for him of yours truly, R. W. R. Stokes. N.B.—Nothing made is too good for him ! !" Mr. W. M. Bogue, of Weymouth : "No one at the College has a more devoted admiration for Mr. Crawley than I have, and I am delighted at having the opportunity of adding my mite to the College fund."

Mr. Lowes Dickinson : "I look forward with great pleasure to this meeting. Such gatherings I feel to be the pleasantest of all the gatherings of the College and the most suggestive of the fellowship which was the great thought of its founder."

Mrs. Denham writes from Cambridge on behalf of her husband, Mr. Thomas Denham, Vice Principal of the Saidapet College, Madras : "My husband as an old friend would like to join in the College gift to Mr. Crawley. It takes such a long time to get an answer from India that he has asked me to write to you."

"Mr. J. H. Peabody: "I think the College owes a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Crawley for his splendid labours within its walls. I shall certainly always retain a vivid recollection of the happy evenings I spent in Mr. Crawley's Latin class. I have only just heard of my success in an important examination at King's College and I can safely say that it was only through Mr. Crawley's painstaking efforts that I was able to answer the Latin paper."

M. L. Petré: "J'ai tant d'estime pour Mr. Crawley et il a toujours été si bon envers moi, que je serais désolé d'être laissé de côté dans une pareille circonstance."

The educational year now closing may be regarded as numerically the best the College has as yet had. The number of class entries for the three principal terms were respectively 1,197, 833, and 610, giving an average of 880, or 28 above that of the next best year.

The Science Examinations held during May were fairly well attended. The number of papers asked for was 104. Of these, 30 were not used. The Examination in Practical Geometry was attended by 19 students, that in Building Construction by 7, Machine Construction 6, Mathematics 3, Physiography 1, Electricity 2, Sound 1, Physiology 6, Geology 3, Biology 4, and Botany by 6. Theoretical Mechanics is by the South Kensington Authorities divided into two sections, Solids and Fluids, attended respectively by 8 and 7 students. Of course no results are as yet published.

The examinations referred to in the May number as having too recently taken place for the results to be reported were those in French and Law. The successful students in the first named were Robson, Dumbrill, J. W. Bunn, Clair, Percy Roney, Walton and Farrell, the first two having their certificates marked "excellent." In Law, Messrs. Devonshire, Henderson and Rapley passed.

No mention was made in our last number of the Singing Class examinations which had also then taken place. Messrs. Günther, Haffenden and Sutterby, and Miss Simpson obtained certificates of various degrees.

The Special Division was to the fore in June in the matter of examinations. That in Shorthand took place on the 14th, and that in Book-keeping on the 27th.

The exams. for July are those in English Composition, on the 5th; Arithmetic on the 8th; History on the 17th; and Grammar on the 25th. The last three are Lower Division subjects, and certificates in them qualify for the grade of Senior Student.

We welcome a new teacher, Mr. H. A. Olivier, an artist of note, and a brother of Mr. Sydney Olivier, who taught Political Economy here some nine or ten years ago. He has taken charge of the Art classes, until recently under the direction of Mr. Alfred Emslie, who to our great regret, finds himself compelled to leave us

The lectures in the Oval Room did not come to a close with Mr. Poel's on the 6th April, Miss Radford, the Lady Superintendent "round the corner" having prevailed on Captain Wiggins to talk about his journeys to the Yenesei and other parts of Northern Siberia, on the 10th May. The room was full and the lecture interesting.

That valuable compilation to which the Secretary never tires of referring, the College Calendar to wit, will in future be published on 1st October. This is as it should be. The educational year does not follow the almanack. It must make an almanack of its own. For a lot of townsmen like ourselves, whom the important business of getting bread and butter imprisons within four walls the greater part of every day, the winter evenings are well devoted to study, but when the days are long and light and warm and bright, then is the time to think of physical rather than of mental training, and to find occupations which will involve exercise in the open air. Good luck to our friends the cricketers! A short account of their trip to Canterbury—a most enjoyable one, thanks to the Rev. W. W. Williams—appears on another page.

Mr. Jas. H. Peabody of this College sat for the Central Examination of Non-Graduates for admission to Theological Colleges on April 4th. The *Guardian* of May 2nd contains the result, from which it appears that Mr. Peabody was successful. The subjects of examination were: Xenophon's 'Memorabilia' Bk. I., Cicero de Senectute, Greek Testament, English History, Euclid, Books I. and II., and Scripture History. The examiners were the Rev. C. B. Drake, M.A., Rev. R. J. Knowling, M.A., and Rev. T. H. Stokoe, D.D. Mr. Peabody will enter on a course of three years' instruction in the Theological Department of King's College, London, in October next.

Those whose College memory goes back to ten years ago will be glad to know that after a long period of silence our old friend Bullen has again written to Mr. Jennings. We regret the silence the more since it seems to a great extent to have resulted from a run of ill luck. To use Mr. Bullen's own phrase, "the sky is now a trifle brighter." He has a farm at Papakura, somewhat under twenty miles south of Auckland. But "the pen has to help the plough," and a good many of the contributions to the *New Zealand Farmer* are the product of our friend's literary industry. His special reporting business on this account takes him a good bit from home, and he reckons he does about 600 miles of railway travelling every month in order to obtain information as to things agricultural. At the time of writing Mrs. Bullen had just recovered from a serious illness. She and the children (three, two cockneys and one colonial) would appear to be left in charge of the farm during Bullen's frequent absences. Good luck to this far-off Fellow of the College.

Some College men have by their characters left impressions upon their fellows which will never fade while life lasts. Of one, mentioned on the next page, an old friend says :

"Jem" Fisher was indeed a very distinct personality,—a personality which yet lives vividly, after the lapse of nearly thirty years, in the memories of some of those who knew him best. About six feet high, with a muscular frame, brave as a lion and gentle as a lamb, full of intelligence and wit, most courteous to womenkind, a hater of shams and humbug in every shape and form, he was in truth a genuine type of an Englishman, a most lovable companion and a loyal friend. To him the College circle to which he was familiarly known was composed of the salt of the earth. In the early days he was one of the older members told off to advise new comers in the Coffee Room, a duty which he fulfilled with pleasure. Like many of his College contemporaries, he had a hard struggle to gain his livelihood, but he was one of nature's gentlemen, ever ready to help the helpless, and forgetful of self to do a good turn for a friend. As might be expected from a man with such a nature, he had the greatest respect for his mother, with whom he lived behind what he jocularly called the "battlements" of a third story in Millman Street, and to whom he used to refer, especially when he wondered how she would take the news of his engagement to a lady, as the "Chancellor of the Exchequer." He was made of such stuff as heroes are made of, but his career was all too short for the full development of his character, for he died, unmarried, at the age of thirty-three. *Requiescat in pace.*

THE CARLYLE SOCIETY.

The Carlyle Society has completed its first session for this year with a series of three lectures dealing with some practical aspects of Carlyle's theories of government and the treatment of inferior races. The first of these, by H. F. Wyatt, B.A., dealt with "The Ethics of Empire." The speaker pointed out the falsity of the idea that war was morally wrong, and urged that the only title which a race had to its territory was the use which it made of its opportunities. A superior race was, therefore, justified in expropriating a race of lesser civilization. The position of England as a manufacturing country was critical, as our rivals were closing their markets to us. It was a question of national existence to occupy the remaining places which were fit for improvement. The moral duty of maintaining our naval and military forces in an efficient condition was one of urgent importance. The paper on "Madagascar" by Colonel Maude, V.C., C.B., which followed at the next meeting, was of special interest as dealing with a country now the object of those ethical motives defended by Mr. Wyatt. Colonel Maude's personal acquaintance with that island gave a particular value to his estimate of its strategic and commercial importance. An Indian gentleman, Yussuf Ali, pointed out the injury that would be done to India if one of its chief markets were closed by coming under the protectionist policy of France. At the meeting on June 10th, Mr. Wm. Irvine, a retired Indian civil servant, maintained that a benevolent autocracy was the best form of government, and that in the administration of India, England had solved the problem by securing a succession of enlightened despots. Representative government was incompatible with the maintenance of British rule in India. A wealth of interesting details characterised his paper on "the Administration of an Indian District." Captain Rolleston gave a pleasant account of "a Visit to a Deserted Indian City"—an object-lesson in some results of the rule of force. His paper was illustrated by many beautiful photographs

ORIGINES COLLEGII.

IN the first term of the existence of the College there were but 176 students. Possibly not a bad number to have been brought together in 1854. There were a fair number of evening classes about, but the idea of a College which should have at its head a clergyman of the Church of England, be supported by various men of more or less position, and rest upon a base composed, or supposed to be composed, of working men, was strange and unique. At this distance of time—more than a generation later—it may be of some interest to glance over the first roll. It enables us to settle the long vexed question as to seniority. The first names appear to have been entered as for 23rd October, 1854. They are five in number, Benney, Roulston, Freake, Fisher, and Smith. Mr. James Benney described himself as a schoolmaster and of Church Row, St. Pancras. How long he kept up his connection with the College does not appear, but he was afterwards well known among some of the clubs, and Mr. Dent would remember him in connection with the endeavour which was made in the autumn of 1885 to establish College extension classes among those in connexion with the W. M. C. and I. Union. Fisher—"Jem"—remained a member of the College until his death in 1866, and is not likely to be forgotten by those whose connection with it dates so far back. The other three, like many of those who follow, have left not even a College memory behind. But among the remaining 171, are a fair number who are still alive, or at any rate have left some trace in College or other records, or in tradition. W. G. Dresser, whose name is the fourteenth on the list, a man who appeared to be older than most of his colleagues, was greatly interested in science, and thirteen years after he joined gained a place in the "College Honours" list by taking a certificate in Zoology. He died about sixteen years ago. The sixteenth name is that of Mr. Henry Shorter, the brother of the then Secretary. Mr. Shorter was present at the last Old Students' Supper. William Rossiter and John Roebuck entered on the same day. For what they became we need only refer to the College Calendars. The twenty-fourth name is that of Thos. Hewitt. Mr. Hewitt carries on business as a Chronometer maker in the City Road and is a member of the Old Students' Club, though he has not very recently been seen at the College. Robert Curtis, pianoforte maker, was afterwards in charge of the Public Library at Melbourne, and his death was recently chronicled in the JOURNAL. The name and description of William Newton, engineer, 35 Arbour Square, does not appear to occur again in any College record, and the owner, no longer a young man, was probably induced to enrol his name by knowledge of and admiration for Mr. Maurice and his compeers. It is that of the leader of the malcontents in the famous Engineers' Strike of 1852. A little farther on we find another man of the same kind in Richard Moore, wood carver, 25 Hart Street, guide and friend

to the democratic West End workmen of that time in their political and economic endeavours. The next name after Newton's is that of Richard Cable Taylor. Mr. Taylor's reputation is a College one, but he has for some years lived at Birmingham. We are, however, very glad to welcome here his son Victor, who has recently come up to London to begin life's business and to join the College. Henry Rawlins was a clerk in one of the Government offices and acted as Secretary of the College from 1867 to 1872. He died in 1877. The sixty-sixth name is that of Samuel Standring, so long well known here, who died in May, 1890. The names of John Alfred and James Evison suggest the well known law stationers in Chancery Lane. William Thrower's is the ninety-seventh name and one on which there is little need of remark. The ninety-ninth is that of Robert Newton, gilder. Mr. Newton was for some years one of the managers of the now defunct frame makers' and gilders' association in Red Lion Square. Two other gilders follow at no great distance: for one of whom, William Noel, the attraction of the College was permanent and lasted until his death. Henry and Frank Swan were brothers, both lithographers, who lived in an old house on Kingsland Green, and whose attendance at Mr. Maurice's lectures led them first to the Church of England and afterwards to Quakerism. "Henry and his brother Frank," says a friend, "were probably almost the only Englishmen who were converts to Quakerism in our time." But Henry Swan was a Quaker with a difference. He was a devotee of Art, and ended his life some six years ago as Curator of the St. George's Museum (Mr. Ruskin's) at Sheffield. There are two Thomas Hancocks. Which of them is doubtful, but one of them is now a clergyman of the Church of England residing at Harrow, and a fellow worker with Canon Shuttleworth, and was at that time a great friend of Henry Swan. Thomas Martin, law stationer, is the last name to be mentioned. With it many pleasant recollections associate themselves.

An analysis of the list would seem to show a body very differently constituted from that of the present time. Taking the descriptions as given in the last Calendar, we find the studentship of the College divided into six categories, Clerks, Shopmen, Professional Men, Officials, Warehousemen, Handicraftsmen, and the proportions of each are given. It is interesting to note how the membership of the first term differed. Now the students describing themselves as Clerks form about a third of the whole; then they were less than a fifth. Shop Assistants have about the same proportion, namely eight per cent. The Official Class—namely Policemen and Postmen—which now furnishes six per cent. of the whole, was then absent. The next category, consisting of that large portion of the working population aggregated under the appellation of Warehousemen, furnished then, only three per cent. as opposed to twelve per cent. now. The workmen belonging to definite skilled trades were proportionally much more numerous,

45 per cent. as opposed to 35. But we suspect that some of these were working men of a peculiar kind. Wm. Newton and Richard Moore were certainly not ordinary workmen, and doubtless some of the others were men of similar position and calibre attracted by the novelty of the College idea. This view is also borne out by the much greater percentage of the "Professional" class and the difference in its composition. This class now averages about five per cent. of the students, and is composed of three categories which may be roughly described as being respectively artistic, tutorial, and ministerial. There were then as now a few draughtsmen to form the first, and a sprinkling of schoolmasters for the second, the third category being represented ordinarily by a few scripture readers or even a Salvation Army Officer. But in 1854 the proportion of the whole instead of five was nineteen per cent., and the number included no less than four Barristers, the same number of Clergymen, one Doctor of Medicine, and various others of probably equal position, one of them, Dr. Shadworth Hodgson, being now by no means unknown to metaphysical fame.

H. R. J.

CORRESPONDENCE.

We shall be glad to receive letters from Members, past and present, on subjects of general or College interest. We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our Correspondents

THE GOVERNMENT.

To the Editor of the WORKING MEN'S COLLEGE JOURNAL.

SIR,—The regret which I felt at not being able to attend the meeting at which our friend Mr. Grugeon delivered the government counterblast to my recent speech at an Old Students' meeting, has been considerably modified, by perusing the report in your columns for this month ; for I am certain that the all-too-kindly manner in which he spoke of myself, would have proved a severe trial for a naturally modest and humble spirit. But without entering into anything in the nature of a reply (which would be best delivered, I apprehend, at a similar function), may I point out one or two slight misunderstandings (i) Mr. Grugeon calls upon me to admire the action of the beaurocracy in hunting me up, etc. This is precisely what I did, saying at the O.S. meeting that it was the beaurocracy which did the work, etc. (ii) Mr. Grugeon seems to be rather disconcerted at the term "overgrown schoolboys." Now, it is true I used it, but in the nature only of an incidental quotation. What I said was to this effect, "according to that unimpeachable authority, the Revising Barrister,' the undergraduate is but an overgrown schoolboy,' yet, in the twinkling of an eye, by the assuming of cap and gown. etc." Finally may I add this—Mr. Grugeon and I look at the College from different standpoints; he from that of association and tradition, I from an outside and unbiassed position. He sees all it has been, I, all it can be! And the object of my further obtruding my views upon the powers that be is to get that fusion of the "has been" and the "can be" sections of the college, which to my mind at least, is absolutely necessary if the College is to reach its maximum of value as an educational institution.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,

17th May, 1895. S. DE JASTRZEBSKI.

W.M.C. MUSICAL SOCIETY.

Thanks to the energy of Mr. H. C. Dumbrill and Mr. J. Banfield, this Society has been formed among College men of a musical turn of mind, under the Presidency of Mr. Geo. Tansley. The Vice-Presidents are Mr. R. J. Mure, the Vice-Principal, and Messrs. L. Jacob, H. R. Levinsohn, C. Iseard, T. T. S. de Jastrzebski, Horace Smith, R. H. Marks, and E. R. Cole. The Committee: Messrs. H. C. Dumbrill (Chairman), H. J. Stephens, W. C. Jones, C. F. Shand, P. Girard, W. J. Torrington and E. Braconnier; with L. Pocock, Hon. Treasurer, and J. Banfield, Hon. Secretary. All the Common Room Committee but one (6 out of 7) are therefore officers of the Society.

The object of the Society is to organise musical evenings, the holding of which is sanctioned by the College executive, conditional upon their not interfering with the routine of College study, and the subscription has been fixed at the low sum of one shilling.

The first Smoking Concert was held on Saturday, June 29th, in the Oval Room, when all College men and their gentlemen friends were cordially and freely invited, and a long and well arranged programme was most successfully got through. Mr. Jastrzebski established his reputation in the College as a first-class singer, and Messrs. Dumbrill, Chizlett, Percy Smith and Horace Smith were, amongst others, to the fore. The Society were fortunate in having Mr. Tansley in the chair, and Mr. Jastrzebski as Vice. Mr. Frank Peskett accompanied on the piano, besides contributing two solos, "Husarenritt" (Spindler), and a "Gavotte" (Zimmermann)—and two songs, "The Meeting of the Waters" and "Good-bye." Mr. C. Chizlett gave "Shipwrecked" and "The Holy City"; Mr. C. Dumbrill, "Tell her I love her so" and "Serenade" (both with guitar accompaniment); Mr. Jastrzebski, "The Bloom is on the Rye," "Then you'll remember me" and "When a man's single"; Mr. Percy Smith, a comic recitation "The Truthful Boy"; Mr. H. C. Dumbrill, "Queen of the Earth" and "Best of all"; Mr. E. Braconnier, "'Tis a famous story"; Mr. G. W. Byrne, "Will o' the Wisp" and "Monarch of the Storm"; Mr. G. Mole, "If it wasn't for the 'ouses in between" and another; Mr. Horace Smith, "The Boatswain's Story"; Mr. Harold Byrne, "Asthore" and "Kerry Dance"; and Mr. A. G. Mead, "Sunshine Above" and "Even Bravest Hearts."

KINGSLEY CYCLING CLUB.

This Club, which was formed by students of the College early this year, and is increasing in size every week, started on a three day's tour on June 1st. Messrs. Stephens, Trimen, Taylor, Price and Braconnier left the College at 2 p.m., en route for Arundel, Chichester, Petworth and Haslemere, tead at Dorking and put up for the first night at "The Club House" at Bury, at the foot of the Downs, where they were comfortably accommodated. Whit-Sunday morning found them climbing the Downs, from the top of which a magnificent view repaid them for their labours. Arundel Park and the fine old castle were visited before dinner; then Chichester was made for, and afterwards Petworth, where mine host of the "Star Inn" conducted the wheelmen to supper. Still favoured by lovely weather Monday was spent in returning via Haslemere, Hind Head, Godalming and the Ripley Road. Altogether the trip was a most enjoyable one, and cannot be done justice to in a short notice.

The following are the outings for this month:—July 6th, Saturday, tour to Canterbury (returning Sunday). On the 13th, to Colnbrook; 14th, Virginia Water; 20th, Elstree; 27th, Hertford; and 28th, Sevenoaks.

EDITORIAL APOLOGIES.—We regret that want of time and space have prevented our editing and printing two items which we ought to have attended to this month. The first is a letter from Dr. Furnivall in reply to Mr. Ludlow's in our last issue, and the second, a report of the last Old Student's Club Meeting, when Mr. Mure read a paper on "Fiction as one of the Arts."

MAURICE v. ST. AUGUSTINE.

On Whitmonday, June 4, the Maurice C.C. went down to Canterbury. They had been invited by the Rev. W. W. Williams, a friend of Mr. Lucas', to play the St. Augustine's College eleven, who gave them a most hearty and genial reception. The weather too, was all that a cricketer could desire, and a glorious day was the result. Leaving Holborn at 7.20 a.m., fifteen of our men, including the team, two reserves, an umpire, and a scorer, were met on Canterbury platform by Mr. Williams and the Captain and Secretary of our opponents at 10 o'clock. We began by a visit to St. Augustine's College, well worth it, for the building has had a most interesting and eventful history. Founded nearly fifty years ago as a missionary college on the site of the old abbey of the same name which dates back to the seventh century, some of the old buildings were rescued from destruction and restored, after having been used first as a sort of Vauxhall Gardens, and then as a brewery; while the fine old abbey kitchen has been a public house, and rooms, in which Queens of England have slept and lived, have served as stores for grain.

Play began on the County ground at 11.15, and the M.C.C. thought they didn't do so bad in scoring 71. Their opponents then went in and made 170, after which Maurice again took the bats, and when time was called, had secured 45 for 9 wickets. Both sides were, we believe, very well satisfied with the result. Details :—

Maurice.		St. Augustines.	
Wroe, b Leahy	9	Edgell, l.b.w. b Gardiner	21
Jeans, b Leahy	0	Alexander, b Worsdell	1
Worsdell, c Leahy, b Bone	13	Leahy, b Gardiner	25
Edwards, b Leahy	3	Williams, Rev. W. W., c Jeans, b Gardiner	10
McClellan, c Castle, b Bone	14	Simmonds, Rev. W. J., b Worsdell	11
Gardiner, b Leahy	2	Castle, c Gardiner, b Edwards	44
Quelch, b Leahy	13	Bone, b Worsdell	0
Fretwell, c Edgell, b Bone	1	Bentimair, c Jeans, b Wroe	14
Mead, c Swindell, b Bone	3	Brooks, c Edwards, b McClellan	15
Johns, b Leahy	4	Hooker, b Edwards	7
Lynes, not out	3	Swindell, not out	14
Extras	6	Extras	8
Total	71	Total	170

Maurice Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.		O.	M.	R.	W.
Worsdell	14	1	44	3	Gardiner	8	0	20	3
Edwards	8	0	30	2	Wroe	7	0	28	1
Jeans	5	0	26	0	McClellan	5	1	21	1

What made the day so much more pleasant was the fact that our opponents invited us to dinner and tea with them in the fine large hall at their College, besides giving us the free use of their rooms, and otherwise making us comfortable. We shall look forward to the pleasure of meeting them again—we hope at no distant date.

Rooms to Let, at 46 Great Ormond Street, Bloomsbury, W.C., for Class Rooms, Studios, or Office purposes, during the day time only. Rents from £20 to £45. Would also be let for Meetings. May be seen from 11 to 4. Secretary, Working Men's College, as above.

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